

# M 5.7, New Ireland region, Papua New Guinea

Origin Time: 2023-10-03 01:56:20 UTC (Tue 11:56:20 local)  
Location: 4.4862° S 153.4528° E Depth: 96.4 km

**PAGER**  
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Created: 2 hours, 2 minutes after earthquake

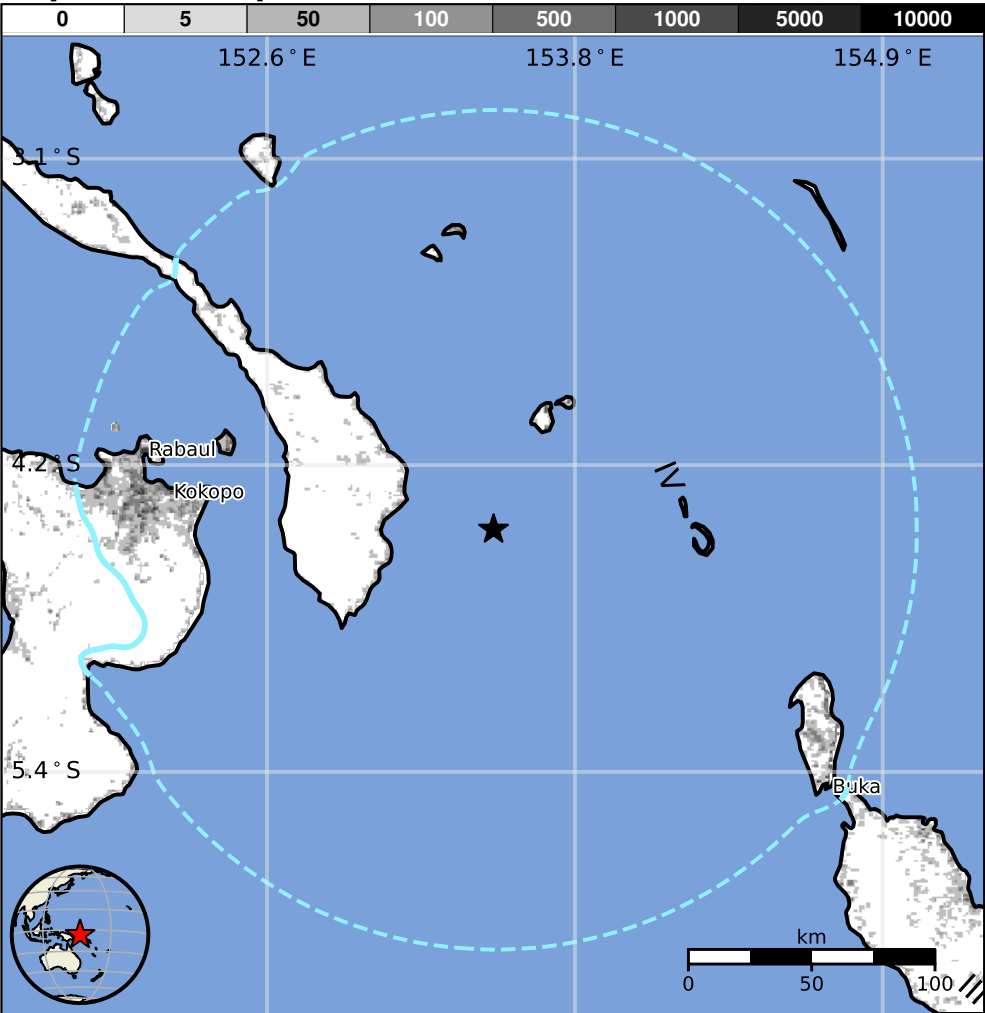


## Estimated Population Exposed to Earthquake Shaking

ESTIMATED POPULATION EXPOSURE (k=x1000)		—*	119k*	431k	0	0	0	0	0	0
ESTIMATED MODIFIED MERCALLI INTENSITY		I	II-III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X+
PERCEIVED SHAKING		Not felt	Weak	Light	Moderate	Strong	Very Strong	Severe	Violent	Extreme
POTENTIAL DAMAGE	Resistant Structures	None	None	None	V. Light	Light	Moderate	Mod./Heavy	Heavy	V. Heavy
	Vulnerable Structures	None	None	None	Light	Moderate	Mod./Heavy	Heavy	V. Heavy	V. Heavy

\*Estimated exposure only includes population within the map area.

## Population Exposure



## Structures

Overall, the population in this region resides in structures that are a mix of vulnerable and earthquake resistant construction. The predominant vulnerable building types are informal (metal, timber, GI etc.) and unreinforced brick masonry construction.

## Historical Earthquakes

Date (UTC)	Dist. (km)	Mag.	Max MMI(#)	Shaking Deaths
1996-04-29	292	7.2	VII(57k)	1
1985-05-10	292	7.2	VII(28k)	1
1983-12-21	202	6.2	VII(5k)	10

Recent earthquakes in this area have caused secondary hazards such as landslides that might have contributed to losses.

## Selected City Exposure

from GeoNames.org

MMI	City	Population
IV	Buka	<1k
IV	Rabaul	8k
IV	Kokopo	26k

bold cities appear on map.

(k = x1000)

PAGER content is automatically generated, and only considers losses due to structural damage. Limitations of input data, shaking estimates, and loss models may add uncertainty.  
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